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1. Istvan Kalman left Milan for Budapest via Switzerland on 20 November 1949. Although he had announced his intention of returning to Italy to make purchases of machine tools for the amount of 850 million lire in accordance with the commercial treaty between Hungary and Italy, he has not returned. The Italian Ministry of Interior has issued the re-entry visa for Italy for Kalman, but it seems that he has fallen into disgrace with the Communist leaders of NIK (Hungarian Ministry of Heavy Industry) in Budapest. Kalman recently was transferred from the NIK Import Office in Budapest to the NIK Export Office and therefore will no longer be able to go abroad on missions.
2. Kalman, like all other Hungarian Commercial delegates sent to Italy, reported to Inre (Lindenfeld), who is in charge of Hungarian commercial affairs in Italy pertaining to machine tools. Engineer (Juhasz) is thus by-passed.
3. Istvan Hacsak is also said to be in disgrace with the Hungarian authorities.

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